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Public Service Commission of SC  
P.O. Box 11649  
Columbia, SC 29211  
Attention: Charles Terreni

Reference: docket # 2005-385-E

Dear Sir:

I am a homeowner who is seriously considering converting my residence to solar power. I live on the perfect lot to do this with direct sun all day long. I have a proposal from Sunstor of Greer to do this. Although the system does not have a good payback, I feel the need to go to alternate sources of energy has to start with someone in my area.

My decision to go to solar energy would be a lot easier if SC recognized the importance of "net metering" to homeowners considering solar energy.

Certainly "net metering" will require Duke Power to install some safety provisions, but if power companies in 40 other states can do this, so can Duke Power.

I understand that SC is one of only 10 states where "net metering" is not allowed.  
Does SC have to be at the bottom of every list of things that are good for its citizens?

I am already doing what I can to reduce energy usage. I am making my house energy efficient and have recently sold my truck and purchased a hybrid automobile.

I strongly support "net metering" for SC residents.

Yours truly,

*Paul M. O'Neal, Jr.*  
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